



WOW! BAND IS COMING TO White Creek Lutheran School 2023-2024 School Year

Dear Parents of 5th through 8th graders,

Our great God has blessed us with music. He has blessed our church with a brilliant musical heritage starting with Bach and Mendelssohn, on down to present day composers and musicians whose music is heard at St. John's regularly from the hymnal and liturgy. Wouldn't you like your child to share in this gift and heritage from God, and share it with you and others?

Learning an instrument will be our main focus for each child. Doing this will build responsibility and determination, a sense of accomplishment and achievement in your child. Friendships are made, creativity is brought out, and concentration is enhanced. The joy of learning an instrument will enhance their life now and in the days to come.

We plan to include flutes, clarinets, trumpets, trombones, tenor saxophones, and baritones in our school's first year of band. Your child does not need to decide yet what instrument to play. Representatives from Paige's Music in Indianapolis will come to school in August to help your child pick the best instrument, as well as to discuss the instrument rental program with parents. Most instruments rent for about \$40-\$50 per month. This fee includes your book and music stand, as well as any equipment that you may need for your instrument such as cleaning tools and reeds. Band will meet twice a week during the school day. The only after-school requirements would be a couple of concerts a year. Students will also be required to practice 10 minutes a day.

I can't wait to be able start this new band with you. God has blessed me with talents and I would like share my talents with your student. I have used my talent to teach band students at St. John's in Lanesville, Indiana, when I first started teaching. I also played the clarinet through college and was in the Concordia University Wind Symphony. I hope to be able share my joy with your students. If your child is in 5th- 8th grade, and has a cooperative spirit, willingness to learn, and a desire to practice, please consider joining our band! Please respond to the interest survey included in this email (also linked below), and don't hesitate to reach out to me or Mrs. Vandercar if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Karie Sutton

Do you think your child would like to participate? Please respond via [THIS SURVEY!](#)